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1948 Not Phased By Campus Life At Wellesley

Swamped with people to meet, Gray Book to master, organizations to join, and houses to find their way back to, the 446 members of the Class of '48 have completed their first week at Wellesley with nary a catastrophe.

From 34 states, Canada, Hawaii, Jamaica, Brazil, Peru, Chile, they converged at Wellesley on Wednesday, August 23, to unpack in Joslin, Wiswall, Abbott House and Beebe, in addition to former Freshman houses. Except for the cases of Lillian Lee, from Jamaica, who arrived a week early because of the traveling situation, and Valma Vernoy and Barbara Lender, who spent their first three days in the infirmary and now think of Simpson as a second home, things went comparatively smoothly. Red caps soon dotted the Vil.

One bewildered '48 tried to find Homestead, and "Why I ended up clear in Wellesley Hills; practically!" "I get lost, but it's not exciting," complained Jean Hoyt; "Somebody always finds me!"

Mothers of Freshmen met each other Wednesday afternoon at Miss McAfee's "at home." In the evening Miss Lindsay, Mrs. Kerby-Miller, and Miss Wilson held another "at home" for Wellesley alumnae and their Freshmen daughters.

Miss McAfee, Mrs. Kerby-Miller, and Caroline Hadley, president of C. G. welcomed the class Thursday morning, as it gathered in Alum for the first time. For the rest of the day Freshmen were free to wander, request longer beds, glance through Gray Book ("Why it's perfectly clear—I mean, is it *supposed* to be difficult?" piped one), and ask questions like "Am I allowed to speak to Seniors?"

On Friday morning, as upperclassmen straggled in, Freshmen labored under Organization Day. They were briefly introduced in the morning to heads of C. G., Athletic Association, W. C. A., Forum, *News*, Barn, Radio, and Press Board. Later each organization held a kind of open house for those interested in knowing more about it—while Saturday night these same groups astounded Freshmen in Campus Vaudeville.

Flower Sunday, with its theme "God is Love," the Freshmen reception at Tower, and C. A. Vesper Service, left the Class of '48 well-initiated into Wellesley tradition.

"Eleetions" Constitute Forum's Semester Theme, Mock Eleetion Planned

"Elections" has been chosen as Forum's theme for the coming semester.. Barbara Scott '45, president, announced that in carrying out its timely theme, Forum will conduct an election campaign with one speaker representing each of the three parties, Socialist, Republican, and Democratic. A mock Wellesley election will follow.

Norman Thomas is sending his Vice-Presidential Candidate for the Socialist ticket, Darlington Hoope, as the first Forum speaker, in September. His Excellency, Governor Leverett Saltonstall of Massachusetts will give the next speech presenting the Republican point of view.

A Democrat will present the third of the speeches, which will be followed by a mock election on November 3. On mock election night Wellesley girls impersonating the candidates, will vie in campaigning.

The final Forum speaker of the semester will summarize the national campaign and its outcome.

Forum's major divisions will work in line with this central theme of elections. The Social Action group plans to help with the actual elections in Boston. Domestic Affairs will discuss election issues, and the International Relations group will consider peace plans. Debates will also be connected with the coming elections.

Summer Groups Stress Current War Adjustment

To supplement the regular liberal arts program in non-academic fields of special war time interest, Wellesley College offered this summer three schools in Community Affairs, Techniques, and Reconstruction. Dr. Margaret Mead, noted anthropologist and author, directed the school of Community Affairs which operated in three two-week sessions from June 29 to August 10. Miss Dorothy S. Dennis of the French Department was in charge of the school of Techniques, giving training in skills to meet emergency war work. Miss Helen T. Jones of the Chemistry Department headed the Reconstruction Group.

Problems currently confronting U. S. citizens were studied by the Community Affairs group in the project "Cultural Differences Within the American Community." Isolationism and intolerence were two of the principle factors discussed in the various sessions called Old and New Americans, Discrimination and Opportunity, and Processes of Adjustment. Approximately sixty people attended these sessions. Other interesting projects viewed included the future of Ger-

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Please be assured that we feel the responsibility to you and to the demanding world in which the College functions. As I told the students at the opening chapel service, we have no right to live in an intellectual haven safeguarded by our own insensitivity from the buffetings of a world at war. We have every obligation to cultivate such a standard of values, to establish such a philosophy of life that, whatever the staggering blows of a world in chaos, we can stand firm. Youth brave enough to die must be matched by youth and age brave enough to live so that

"These things shall be,—a loftier race
Than e'er the world hath known shall rise
With flame of freedom in their soul
And light of knowledge in their eyes."

Mildred H. McAfee.

The President's House.

Alumnae Fund

9,496 Alumnae sent $71,415 to the Alumnae Fund last year. $51,541 of this was presented to the College for various purposes, including $42,100 for the Mayling Soong Foundation. Total given to the Foundation (including Madame Chiang's $25,000) is $88,204.

Tower Flag Gives Sign Lake Swimming Okay

Wellesley College students and their guests may swim in Lake Waban this fall whenever the official notice "Lake Swimming Today" is posted at the swimming float at the lake, and on the Index Board in Founders Hall, and when the Blue Sports Flag flies from the Tower Court flag pole. A life guard will be on duty on the beach next to the Crew House from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. daily except Sundays. No one may swim in other parts of the lake at any time or from this beach when the life guard is not on duty.

Since Wellesley students may not swim in the lake on Sundays, the pool in the Recreation Building will be open to them every Sunday afternoon from 3:00 to 4:30. The pool will also be open Friday nights from 8:00 to 9:30 p.m. and Saturday afternoons from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. It will not be open on Saturday, however, if there is lake swimming that day.

Every lake swimmer is expected to sign her name in the register on the dock before entering the water and to cross her name off on leaving the lake. Jewelry, money, or other valuables should not be brought to the lake, because the college assumes no responsibility for their loss.

Guest tickets are available at the Information Bureau. Students should accompany their guests to the beach and give the ticket of admission to the lifeguard. No guests will be admitted without their hostesses and this ticket.

As indicated in the Gray Book, College Government Regulations require each student to wear a skirt over her bathing suit while on the way to the bench. A bath house is provided at the east end.

Sunburnt, Smooth Freshman Class Has Men Plus Wartime Ingenuity

by Mary Alice Cullen '46

With Freshmen, again come green convertibles with red leather seats, enthusiasms, and styles. These younger generations persist in becoming more poised and more terrific each year and instead of scared Freshmen are found only accents, sweet smiles, and luscious sun-tans.

Two tricky Croftonite artists, lacking curtains and spreads, have taken sheets, scallopped them, and painted them with blue and red boys and girls and cats and daisies.

"Eggs are lower" and "Don't disturb the bar-tender" signs meet the eye at Noanett where a Freshy appalled some fellow Freshies by her store of Prince Albert tobacco and her corn-cob pipe.

Beebe Freshmen were discussing how the moving system of drawing members would work next spring and among them was the Freshman who took all the hangers, "just lying around Shafer's basement."

Washington girls are still tall and beautiful and date their Vil Junior's brother. Washington now has a dining room and two pianos, and the maids live in the Annex. Washington also has accents from Geneva, England and Honolulu. The conversation in the third floor hall ran—

"Hey, listen," breathless, "Stuart just called up."

"Isn't that wonderful. Hey, you look wonderful."

That was Jean McDonald.

"There go some navy boys to Little," said impressed Junior Oden McKay on the Washington walk. "And look who opened the door. A Navy guy."

The Freshmen love all things,—Vil Juniors, and Wellesley, their houses, and us, and themselves (we do too).

"The first day," said a Noanettite. "I was scared. I thought I wasn't going to like anything. I thought everyone looked at me and thought 'Oh, You'; but now I feel all right and I love everything."

After eating up all the food of all the organizations and signing for all committees of all organizations, Ann Huiskamp expressed the opinion of '48 when she sighed, "I want a whole day with nothing in it."

Wiswall House is down a gravel path opposite Washington and has green shutters and a friendly house mother named Mrs. Morton, and a newly decorated pale blue living room. (Possible Boston Herald headline: Modern Wellesley Goes Pale Blue). There a girl named Lynn and another named Pat were reading Arthur Murray's Dancing Manual in a lovely room with a kitchen sink in one corner.

Application Blanks For Society Membership At Information Booth

Application blanks for membership in Wellesley's six societies are now avnilable at the Information Bureau for members of the junior and senior classes. The blanks are to be returned by 4:30, Sept. 11, following the open teas to be given by the societies Sept. 7 and 8.

Societies and their fields of work are: Agora, current political and social affairs; Alpha Kappa Chi, American culture in the light of Greek traditions; Phi Sigma, music; Tau Zeta Epsilon, art and music; Shakespeare, Shakespearean drama; and Zeta Alpha, modern drama.

Carrying on the ideals of Mr. Durant, the founder, who organized the first two societies, they have in common two fundamental purposes: the development of valuable friendships and the banding together of small groups in some intellectual pursuits, working less formally than in the classroom.

The present system of choosing society members, formulated in 1920, is based on the standards of sound scholarship and good citizenship. The original method of membership by invitation was abandoned in 1910 in the midst of a country-wide revolt against the non-democratic rushing system in sororities and fraternities.

For the next ten years a committee of faculty and students made a mechanical allotment of members to societies, after compiling a list of students eligible on the bases of scholarship and citizenship.

Under the present system, a Central Committee, composed of one senior from each society and Miss Kathleen Elliott as faculty chairman who serves without voting privileges, makes the final decision on society membership. No applicant is placed in a society to which she does not apply nor in a society which does not vote for her.

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O.C. Barn Dance To Honor 1948

Freshmen will turn into country bumpkins tomorrow night, September 1, at Outing Club's annual Freshman Barn Dance in Mary Hemingway Hall. The fun begins at 8 p.m. and will last until 10:15 so sign out on a white slip for a campus activity.

Outing Club's veteran square dancers will lend a hand in teaching the '48ers how to "swing and sway" the country way. Karol Musa '45 will call out the figures. O. C. urges the freshmen to come as couples, the boys dressed in dungarees and the girls in skirts. If you have never square danced before, this is your chance to learn.

Movies of past Outing Club trips will be shown during the evening and refreshments served to pacify the hearty appetites worked up by the dancing. O. C. members will explain the Club's activities and enlighten '48 about the use of the cabin, the lending of equipment, and the opportunities for trips. Sign-up sheets are posted on all house bulletin boards, but if you forget to sign you are still welcome.

Betty Martens '46 heads the Publicity Committee for the dance; Persis Owen '47, Refreshments; Ann Parry '47, Reception; and Polly Whitaker '46, the Decoration Committee.

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Your Comp Papers are in your Theme Boxes. Please collect them before Saturday, September 4th

Volunteers For Vital War Work Sought by WAC

War Activities Committee is offering this year a full program of war work and special courses which will provide every Wellesley sophomore, junior, and senior with the opportunity to make some contribution to the war effort, depending upon the amount of time she is able to give.

Barbara Whitmore '45, head of WAC, in outlining the still incomplete plans of the committee, stressed particularly the fact that no student will be required to give a fixed minimum of hours to war work, as in former years, but may volunteer as much of her time as she feels she can spare from academic and extra-curricular activities. Most important of all, this year, is that each student do as much work as she promises, whether she has signed for one hour a week, or ten.

Last year's war activities will be continued with little change, except that more emphasis than ever will be placed on blood donations and bandage rolling in the workroom, because of the increasing demand for medical supplies and blood plasma since the European invasion. Farming—which involves apple picking and potato digging—will begin shortly; selling war bonds and stamps, cleaning the workroom at the end of each day, entertaining veterans at the Framingham Memorial Hospital, nurses' aide work, and social service are again a part of the program, and for those who cannot sign for definite hours each week, knitting with the wool provided by the workroom is suggested.

Four war courses are definitely to be offered: typing, shorthand, first aid, and biological lab techniques, and the committee hopes to be able to give again this year courses in current events and languages.

Freshmen will not be allowed to enroll for the war courses or to do war work at least for the first term—but can, of course, help by buying war bonds and stamps, donating blood with their parents' consent, and attending the lectures which WAC will present this year in cooperation with Forum.

The WAC representatives in each of the upperclass houses will soon hold meetings, at which time each war course and activity will be described in detail, and each student will be able to sign for the amount and kind of work she wishes to do. It is suggested that this article be kept for reference in order that everyone will have some fairly definite idea of what her war work will be at the time of the meeting.

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Miss Balderston Wins British Academy Prize

Miss Katherine Canby Balderston, Professor of English Literature, has received the Rose May Crawshay Prize of 100 pounds from the British Academy for her critical work, Thraliana, published by the Clarendon Press of Oxford in 1942. The award is presented to "a woman of any nationality who in the judgment of the council of the British Academy has written or published within the three years next preceding the date of the award, an historical or critical work of sufficient value on any subject connected with English Literature."

The book has been in preparation for about ten years. Some of the work was done in England but the bulk of it was completed in the Huntington Library in California, which houses a rich collection of 18th century material. The proofs of the book sailed back and forth across the Atlantic at the height of the blitz and were never damaged.

Samuel Johnson and his circle have been Miss Balderston's special subject since she wrote her doctorate thesis on Oliver Goldsmith. The prize-winning book concerns Mrs. Thrale, a great friend of Johnson.

Miss Balderston is on her sabbatical leave this year.

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WELCOME, 1948

The Class of 1944 has gone. In their place, wearing their color of red, are newcomers. Faces we have never seen dot the campus, happy faces, homesick faces, but everywhere eager faces. The Freshmen are eager to know Wellesley and those who have already learned to love it.

In response, and with the memory of their own freshmen days, the "old-timers" are reaching out a hand of welcome and aid. They are glad to see '48, willing even to begin to commit new names to memory, anxious to do anything they can to make college life pleasant and friendly. They know only too well what a difference it makes to be called by name, and to receive a smile when you pass some one. There is no organization which does not want new members, new ideas, new energy, no girl who is not interested in making new friends.

Wellesley lies before you, '48. Take it. Take as much as possible and make it yours so that you in turn may some day offer it to other freshmen. Seize your opportunities. Avoid the pitfall of "waiting to see how heavy the work will be"; many, many others have found it possible to do their work, make friends, and participate in the numerous activities which college offers. You can too. The coming four years look like a long stretch but they will fly by all too quickly. Make the most of them. In the words of the town drunkard, drain the cup to the dregs and when you have, chew the dregs.

We're glad to have you, and on behalf of the whole campus we say, Welcome, 1948.

SEE HERE, '48

For one thing we're not going to hand you the usual guff about those amphibious lizards who were once monarchs of the fish bowl and then suddenly, like all good frogs in fables, found themselves in a big pond—nasty, slimy creatures to be likened to any way. Besides, we were never queen bees of the home town high school. That's what scared us about freshman week. Every other girl was an ex-president, ex-editor, or ex-belle. Will somebody please tell us what comfort lies in the frog analogy anyway? Nor are we going to hand around that breezy success story of the guy who neither borrows, lends, nor loans. If nobody ever borrowed or lent nobody would ever brush her teeth, wash the back of her neck, or hang curtains for at least a week.

Well, then, what can one tell a poor benighted, benumbed, 48er who, by now, wishes she'd gone to the University of Oshkosh after all?

The answer is, there just isn't any such thing as a recipe for a hundred per cent happy first week here. Of course, we know the water's fine once you get in. But in the meanwhile—do not let anybody of a sunshiny disposition kid you. *Freshman week* is gruelling! The only alternatives are to take gas and come up for air some morning when everything will seem unexpectedly simple after all, or else remember there are no clothes, men, lines, or books that "you absolutely have to have," and bear in mind those hackneyed but beautiful two words, "Everybody's lonesome."

NO ORDINARY YEAR

Miss McAfee's chapel talk set the keynote for the kind of college life we're going to lead this year. This is to be no ordinary academic year. College organizations won't be active merely to occupy spare time—their activities and their goals far transcend the ordinary idea of extra-curricular work.

The question of what the college student can do during war-time—whether the direct, tangible contributions she can make now are worth sacrificing for the undoubtedly larger and more intelligent later one—has been often reiterated. Our presence here testifies to our belief in the value of a liberal education. Yet it is so easy in the peace of the campus to forget that being educated today does not only consist of classes. We are meant to read newspapers; we can't try to solve the world's problems with the answer "a well-informed citizenry" without being just that ourselves. We can't afford to let the epithet "intellectual," applied to us by unthinking friends, prevent us from discussing what's going on in the world. We can't listen to the 920 Club remaining unresponsive to the world "Beyond the Campus." We can't—and still retain the right to attend college in war-time.

This is an election year. The first opportunity and privilege of voting presents itself to a small number of students. It involves shaking off the traditional party affiliation of the family and considering the issues involved, what the parties stand for, the candidates' experience, and the men who work with them. It involves deciding which candidate comes nearest, in his past actions and present ideals, to what an intelligent student favors for the next four years—a liberal, progressive stand in general; assurance that we will have a form of international organization for security; a sincere promise that the social and labor gains of the past decade will be continued and furthered; a certain amount of domestic planning so that the grim days following the economic collapse of 1929 need not be repeated; a declaration that all minorities and all races will be treated equally, along with an immediate repudiation of the vicious poll tax. Which Presidential candidate appears most likely to work toward these goals, only a few of which have been cited here as indicative of the kind of post-war world we'd like?

Yes, being in college this year means more than studying liberal arts. It means *reading a newspaper, listening to war news, discussing and acting on post-war problems, devoting some time to war activities, going to Forum lectures, donating blood, voting intelligently*, in short, being a personification of the cliche, "a well-informed citizen." We have "physical comfort, security, intellectually challenging opportunity, the instruments of peace, quiet, order, health . . .," singular privileges which carry with them the responsibility and the challenge to make this more than just an ordinary college year.

C. A. Holds Traditional Vesper Service For '48

C. A.'s traditional Vesper service for the incoming Freshmen was held in Chapel on Sunday, August 27, at 7:30 P. M. The class of '48 was first welcomed briefly by Julie Burnet, '45, president of C. A., who spoke of the significance of C. A. on campus and its eagerness for the support of its new members. Anne Demarest, '46, vice-president of C. A., followed this welcome by a more concrete description of C. A.'s work and opportunities.

The main address of the evening was given by Miss Virginia Onderdonk of the Philosophy department, who took her theme from the sins listed by Amos. Of these, she said, the most harmful is, "Prophesy not," since indifference and blindness to the warnings of those with greater insight suppresses the course of Christianity and dulls the edge of human life and progress.

Free Press

All contributions for this column must be signed with the full name of the author. Initials or numerals will be used if the writer so desires.

The Editors do not hold themselves responsible for statements in this column.

The Editor,
The Wellesley College *News*.
My dear Miss Lauber,

I want to take this somewhat tardy opportunity to thank you for the excellent editorial which appeared in *News* late last spring relative to the much discussed question of Societies. The "Society problem" seems to be as old as Societies themselves. If Societies constitute an area so provocative of dormitory discussion, it is wise to bring the subject into the open periodically in order that Societies themselves may benefit from a re-examination of their function on the campus.

When Societies were originally founded at Wellesley, they gave students an opportunity for serious study of those fields in which they specialized, i.e. modern art, drama, music, and Shakespearean drama. Program meetings constituted a valuable contribution not only to the lives of members themselves but to the life of the entire college community. This originally academic function of societies has degenerated as the years have passed into the less important area of society activity, and functions purely social have replaced it. Societies have teas once a week, vesper services and supper on Sunday, and, once a semester—more to continue the traditional function than to open the door for serious study—a program meeting.

Method of Election

It is not, however, the failure of societies to maintain their standing as valuable academic contributors to college life that calls forth discussion among students. The ground for discussion is, rather, the undemocratic method of election to society membership. Societies are the only organizations on the campus in which membership is not open to everyone who seeks it. True, many college organizations demand special talents. But even in these, successful completion of "try-outs" offers certainty of an opportunity to use the talents which students are eager to put at the service of the organization. Since societies no longer demand the possession of special abilities for membership, just what is the basic for membership other than merely social acceptance of aspirants by the majority of the society's members? If social acceptance is all that is necessary, the situation is as unfair as we fear.

The society problem is, therefore, two-fold. Societies must clarify their function in order to justify their existence on the campus, thus electing their members on the basis of their ability to contribute to the execution of that function; or membership in societies must be open to everyone who likes teas, cokes in the middle of the afternoon, and the easy conviviality of Sunday night gatherings.

Must Clarify Function

The clarification of the function of societies is peculiarly important today when so many demands are made of students' time. Organizations have a right to continue today only if they contribute in some way to the national war effort, whether that contribution has the object of direct help such as the rolling of bandages for the Red Cross, or whether it is the less direct but equally essential object of giving students an opportunity for extra-curricular study of the arts which have contributed to contemporary culture If societies can

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Beyond the Campus

by Barbara A. Scott '45

Sidelights on the Democratic Convention

The two national party conventions this summer received, in spite of the war news, the newspaper coverage that such history-making events deserve. Your "correspondent" was fortunate enough to attend the Democratic convention, and would like to report some trend-showing incidents that may not have appeared in your newspaper.

The renomination of President Roosevelt was a certainty before the convention began, so most of the interest centered on the vice-presidential nomination. Watching the flux of opinions and votes for the hopefuls was a fine lesson in practical politics.

The Wallace Demonstration

After the President's acceptance speech, a demonstration for Wallace started on the floor, complete with "Win with Wallace" and "Keep the Winning Team" signs. Every state delegation, except Mississippi, Louisiana and the "regular" Texas delegation, was represented. Since the state delegation's chairman must give permission for its banners to be used in a demonstration, this wide participation meant that Wallace had enough support to have on the nomination at that time.

Spectators in the galleries encouraged the demonstration by flaunting posters and chanting that the people want Wallace.

The party bosses, on the platform, seemed worried by the demonstration, and went into a huddle just like football coaches when the opposing team makes an unexpectedly successful play.

Gov. Kerr and the Steamroller

Governor Kerr of Oklahoma, the permanent chairman of the convention, showed how to run a convention by steamroller tactics, in his handling of the Wallace demonstration.

During the President's acceptance speech and Quentin Reynolds' address to the delegates, there was perfect order on the floor. The convention hall was really very crowded; there was even a quickly-suppressed fire in the press section, which might have caused a panic if it had been known. Governor Kerr, saying that the crowd and the heat were unsafe, that people were fainting in the aisles, adjourned the convention on a quick voice vote in the middle of the Wallace demonstration. If a roll call vote had been taken on whether to adjourn, the delegates, in their enthusiasm for Wallace, would probably have voted to continue business with the vice-presidential nominations. In that state of mind, the results of the convention, and the course of national and foreign events, might have been very different from what they actually were.

Boss Kelly and the Mob

Mayor Kelly of Chicago nominated Senator Scott Lucas for the vice-presidential nomination. This came about in a curious way. The Missouri delegation was a leading light of the convention, and several other states would follow its decision. The delegation was split into two groups, one for Senator Truman and one for Wallace. The delegates met constantly during the convention, and rumors about their decision were rife. One rumor had it that the delegation would put up Truman, who would then throw his votes to Wallace, but this maneuver was not used. Instead, the delegates compromised on Senator Lucas.

When Mayor Kelly rose to speak, the galleries booed him. He took this like a good sport: laughed and said that this was a democratic American procedure. His speech nominating Senator Lucas had one paragraph beginning "We want—." People in the galleries finished the sentence for him by yelling "Wallace!" He started the sentence several times but was never permitted to finish it. Finally he begged the spectators to let him, as mayor and host to the convention, finish his speech. He finished it—without that sentence.

A line of men, women and children, all without official badges, came on to the floor at the end of Mayor Kelly's speech, carrying "We Want Lucas" signs. The galleries booed them, too, yelling "Go back to City Hall!" The chairman, Governor Kerr of Oklahoma, ordered all persons without badges

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Campus Issues

Basic in our college community is the Honor Code, which makes membership in C. G. the responsiblity and privilege of every college student. The Honor Code can be workable and successful only if every member of the college is willing to live by it and respect it. Rules and regulations are bothersome and hardly to the liking of many people, but still they are a necessary part of a well ordered community and since they are necessary, each and every person who wants to be a true part of Wellesley should support them. Rules have been well thought out and much discussed. Change is definitely possible, but it should be done by constructive thinking rather than by subversive action.

A new college year has begun! Supposedly with the beginning of a new year we should make resolutions—but it seems that resolutions have become trite and are made only to be broken. However, we now have a new semester before us so let's make it the best ever, not merely by resolving to do things, but by doing them.

Caroline Hadley,
President of College Government.

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perform neither of these functions, their right to continuation on the campus should be seriously questioned.

The method of election to society membership, also, must be re-examined. Statistics should be studied in the endeavor to ascertain whether all those students who want to be society members should be assimilated into one of the societies of their choice. If it is found that there are more society aspirants than there are societies to hold them, either society membership must be expanded or another society should be constituted. The problem resolves itself into this: society membership is selective and undemocratic. To be democratic, membership must be open to all who want it. If the original function of societies is re-established, it may be necessary for members to meet qualifications for membership. This is justified, so long as the qualification is not social acceptability to the majority.

It is time for us to discuss this controversial question again. But it has been discussed before by every student generation. If our discussion is to bear fruit, our convictions must be reinforced by action.

Very sincerely yours,
Harriet McAfee Brown, *1945.*

Summer Groups -

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man youth; post war housing; and child guidance and education. A practical speech clinic was also part of this program.

An average of twenty nine girls joined Miss Jones' group on the Reconstruction Work Schools. Living at Severance Hall, these girls combined practical experience with informal discussions. Twenty worked on farms near by, assisting in market gardens, nurseries, and tomato fields. Some worked in factories at Lower Newton Falls, while social work was done at the Judge Baker Memorial Settlement House and the Framingham Hospital. Methods of raising the standard of living were studied by these girls, from the point of view of the farm worker and owner, the factory hand, and the Negro worker.

Electronics, map making, and nutrition made up part of the program of Techniques. Another outstanding feature of this school was oral language drill in French, German, and Spanish. Some of these courses carried college credit.

Miss McAfee Addresses College Community at First Honors Chapel

The seventieth session of Wellesley College, a session "rooted in the past but inevitably facing the future" was officially opened by Capt. Mildred H. McAfee at the first Honors Chapel, Saturday, August 26. The program included the presentation of new members of the faculty, and the reading of Freshman honors. Members of Phi Beta Kappa elected from the class of '45 at the end of their junior year were announced: Joyce Gulick, Sarah Jane Manley, Jean Rubin, Joyce Rubenstein, Allaire Urban and Jean Preble. Winner of the Sophomore Phi Beta Kappa prize was Alice Birmingham '46.

"The glory of this country is that laws permit people to speak the truth and there's always someone brave enough to speak it," said Miss McAfee, going on to state that Wellesley undergraduates are finding out truths for themselves which have already been discovered by others before them. Students are "forging repair tools" for the "international repair job" which is facing the world.

However, she counselled, pursuing truth need not drive people into turmoil, nor cause bursts of feverish energy such as sometimes accompany roll calls. papers, and exams. Miss McAfee stressed the importance of the individual student in carrying her full share of the load: the importance of "increased stability in carrying day by day responsibilities." The Wellesley girl should watch her health and come to a holiday ready to enjoy it. She should cultivate her mind but not neglect her imagination, sympathy, her heart and soul. "Youth brave enough to die must be matched by youth and age at home brave enough to live," she concluded.

Freshman Honors

Dean Lucy Wilson announced that the following girls received Freshman honors:

Constance Harrison Alling, Jean Campbell Armstrong, Barbara Sylvia Ashe, Elizabeth Herber Backus, Elizabeth Ball, Jean Ann Beaverson, Florence Marie Billings, Joan Brailey, Barbara Ann Burnett, Evelyn Anne Burr, Jean Louise Carpenter, Barbara Winston Chaplin, Frances Willet Clarke, Jeanne Warrene Coleman, Olga de Stroumillo, Alyson Dud-

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Quad Loses Men, Gets New Paint

Hazard Quadrangle will see the last of the Wellesley Navy on September 13. The first unreplaced supply corps men, 200 in number left Wellesley June 28. It is the remaining 200 who will graduate as the final class in September.

The sojourn of the Navy at Wellesley, though brief, was not without definite results. Pom and Shafer are in the process of being redecorated and Cazenove will be also as soon as it is vacant. The redecoration plans are not to be attributed entirely to the Navy's stay. The opportunities to redecorate when the houses are completely cleared of furniture are few so the college took advantage of this one. Beebe, the remaining quad building, houses approximately 85 Freshmen, setting a new precedent for the Quad.

Shafer, the nearest to completion of the three redecorated buildings, is a startling contrast to the sombre interior of last year. The streamlined color scheme is blue, rose and white, with copper accents in the lamp bases, wall fixtures and window valances. Two printed chintz covered couches, matching the drapes, face each other before the fireplace. The final touches of elegance are the four end tables—mirror faced rectangles edged in copper.

GENERAL SPORTS MEETING

Freshmen will be officially welcomed to the Athletic Association by Lucile Peterson, A. A. President, at the General Sports Meeting in Mary Hemingway Monday, September 4, at 4:30. The meeting counts as the first gym class of the year and is required for Freshmen and Sophomores.

Heads of Fall Sports will give "pep talks" urging '47 and '48 to sign up for their sport and there will be a Rope Drill demonstration. Each sport will then meet separately and the Heads of Sports will talk about the necessary equipment. A. A. rules concerning absences and making up classes will be explained and the Freshmen and Sophomores will make out schedule cards indicating their choice of gym periods.

THE PEREGRINATING PRESS

● An eager Sophomore, anxious to lord her new prestige as an upper classman, rushed up to the Vil and had herself a fine time being most impressive. As she was about to leave, she turned and asked the humble newcomers who their big sisters were, remarking loudly that she was sure to know them. The first girl she asked, who had hitherto remained completely silent, shook her head, saying, "I'm sorry, but I'm a senior."

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● A Sophomore, asked by her last year's Head of House to serve dinner in a Village House, approached the dinner table with her usual timidity. A Freshman, watching her, smiled sympathetically saying "Oh, you'll get used to it in no time. I had to do it for lunch."

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● One of Miss McAfee's nieces arrived at Wellesley last week, much bedraggled from a long hot train ride. She climbed into a taxi and asked to be taken to the President's House. The two men in the front seat, obviously puzzled as to her identity, talked quietly to each other during the trip. When they arrived, the driver turned to her and asked, "Do you work here, sister?"

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● Perry was in Hathaway's when he first came back buying a text book for an advanced comp course. As he went up to the cashier, he was seized by an anxious Freshman. "What's this?" she cried, pointing to his book. "Modern Drama," said Perry, somewhat surprised. "Do you need it?" asked the Freshman. "For what?" asked Perry. "For Wellesley?" came the response.

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● One badly misled Freshman lived in fear and trembling for two days because her friends told her the physical exam was given by Harvard Medical students.

Alumnae Notes

Engaged

Lotte Marion Adler '44, to Martin E Aschkenasy, University of Grenoble.

Married

Frances Rosalind Schang '43, to Robert Thompson Gage, M. I. T.

Miss Margaret Jane Keidel, Department of German, to Mr. Ernest Anton Boesing.

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Dr. Gezork Discusses "God is Love" Theme

Resisting the "obvious temptation to break tradition in view of world affairs," Dr. Herbert .I. Gezork of the Wellesley Bible Department opened the school year with the text "God is Love."

"Meeting suffering, death, and evil in every newspaper headline and radio commentary, we might find this text incongruous," said Dr. Gezork, "Nevertheless it is the central theme of Christianity. Questioning it is not the result of unbelief but rather of perplexities in the minds of believers in God."

In answer to the question of why God could not have created a world without evil, Dr. Gezork cited the blindness of Helen Keller as proof that the suffering which God seems to bring upon people results in greater growth of character. "The possibility of wrongdoing is the price which man must pay for his freedom, lifting him above the animal."

Argument cannot become a factor in convincing people that God is Love. "As love is a personal relationship between men, so is it one between God and man with contact made by Christ," reminded Dr. Gezork. Quoting the words of a little Italian boy, Dr. Gezork said, "Christ is the best picture that ever was took of God."

In ending Dr. Gezork emphasized, "If we accept the conviction that God is Love, it can and will fill us with strong courage and deep serenity with which to face every dark hour. It is our strongest hope as we face the uncertain future."

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to leave the floor, so the paraders left and order was restored.

Wallace's Speech

Vice-president Wallace's seconding of the renomination of President Roosevelt was a great speech. I knew, as I listened to it, that Mr. Wallace was destroying his own chances. But it defined very clearly the issues involved in Wallace's own candidacy. Its very clarity of ideas was unique among convention speeches.

The convention was a memorable experience. The procedure, the uninhibited behavior of delegates, participation by the galleries and the control methods of party leaders all showed the intricacy and vitality of our elective party system.

Honors Chapel -

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ley, Dorothy Jean Duncanson, Alice Cornelia Edwards, Alberta Epstein, Phyllis Ann Fisher, Hope Mina Freeman, Flora Ethel Gillies, Mary Carol Glesmann, Carolyn Gold, Barbara Ellen Gormley, Jean Elizabeth Grindley, Janet Edith Hannon, Marta Louise Harper, Sybil Rose Hart, Marilyn Sample Hoopes, Lucia Coy Humes.

Also Mary Elizabeth Hurff, Barbara Marian Jones, Rachael Marie Jones, Margaret Morton Keeney, Mildred Ruth Kelton, Jean Pratt Kix-miller, Jean Darling Lamb, Annette Gano Lummis, Carole Joanne Lundholm, Catharine Lewis Maclory, Charlotte McConnell, Shirley Jane McKowne, Mary Agnes Mills, Ingemarie Carolyn Morgan, Doris Grover Mudgett, Nancy Pickering Myers, Elizabeth Welch Nutt, June Angela Palladino, Thelma Joyce Peskee, Sarah Elizabeth Remick, Mary Louise Robertson, Jean Jocelyn Rogers, Mary Alice Ross, Jean Anne Sanderson, Helen Barney Schwartz, Barbara Ann Shoup, Florence Shulman, Roberta May Solomon, Elizabeth Ann Stevenson, Helen Storey, Eliazbeth Beach Sullivan, Ellen Carol Van Deusen, Jane Smith Watkins, Lois Wiley, Carmel Rose Zupa.

Info. Bureau Answers Questions, Solves All Problems for Wellesley

The story goes that a Freshman once sat in the Information Bureau in Green Hall for six days straight waiting for something exciting to happen so she could write her first College Source Theme on its activities. Miss Maynard and Mrs. Greenawalt, who direct the bureau, don't recommend that any member of '48 should follow this procedure, but this year's Freshman Class have probably already discovered how widely useful the bureau is, particularly when there are no Ask Me's around to tell them where Green Hall ends and Founders begins.

The Bulletin Boards in the bureau carry notices of Foreign Language Reading Exams and other important appointments in addition to a copy of indexed notices of the day. Just outside the office is the box where these notices are placed to be indexed. The Weekly Bulletin of the college may always be found on the counter. Later in the semester the Bureau will post a schedule of faculty appointments.

Arranged in boxes below the bulletin board are time tables for those approaching weekends away from Wellesley. For friends staying here at college the Bureau keeps a limited list of houses in the town of Wellesley where they may stay overnight. Telephone books for New York and other large cities prove valuable for long distance calls.

If an undergraduate doesn't know in which house a friend she'd like to invite to dinner lives, the College Directory, on sale at the Information Bureau, saves embarassment and misdirected Resident Mail. Christian Association Calendars, also sold there, contain dates of college functions throughout the coming year. The large Social Schedule Book on the counter must be consulted before any lecture room or lounge is used for meetings.

Tickets for Tree Day and for visiting friends who want a swim in the lake must be secured from the Information Bureau. Anyone who wants to build a fire in the Outing Club fireplace should first ask for a permit from the Bureau. Commuters saving time by eating on campus may buy meal tickets here. The Bureau's directors also supervise the moving of furniture from one dormitory to another.

Freshmen who are interested in being Campus Guides should consult Miss Maynard or Mrs. Greenawalt for it is they who choose and train these guides.

Although the Bureau always hopes that no one will cut classes on a Calendar Day, they keep a record of those who do. It is here that students on probation go each day during the probation period to sign the statement that they have attended classes that day.

The Information Bureau maintains a Lost and Found section for misplaced articles.

The Bureau's directors appeal to all undergraduates to watch notices for asking them to file schedule cards after two weeks of classes. They warn that the fine is 25 cents for the first day of failure to comply and 5 cents for each day thereafter, but add that the accumulated sum of fines seems small when compared with the trouble of sending out notices to forgetful students.

Forty-two New Members Of Wellesley Faculty Announced at Chapel

New members of the faculty were announced by Dean Ella Keats Whiting at chapel, Saturday, August 26. They are:

Sylvia L. Berkman, Instructor in English Composition.

Elizabeth R. Braider (Mrs.), Instructor in Economics.

Walter L. Creese, Instructor in Art, second semester.

Evelyn K. Dillon, Instructor in Hygiene and Physical Education.

Catherine H. Fales, Instructor in Zoology.

Ellen E. Fedder, Instructor in Mathematics.

Herman Finer, Lecturer in Political Science, second semester.

Virginia M. Fiske (Mrs.), Instructor in Zoology, first semester.

Madeleine Frances, Lecturer in French.

Ernestine Friedl, Instructor in Sociology.

Herbert M. Gale, Lecturer in Biblical History.

Roberta M. Grahame, Instructor in English Composition.

Ingeborg Greeff, Instructor in English Composition.

Helen V. Hammarberg, Instructor in Political Science.

Inez E. Gegarty, Instructor in Speech.

Margaret A. W. Holt (Mrs.), Instructor in Chemistry and Physiology.

Virginia L. Horne, Instructor in Hygiene and Physical Education.

Fiora Mariotti Houghteling (Mrs.), Instructor in Political Science.

Nathaniel M. Lawrence, Instructor in Philosophy.

Louise B. Mackenzie (Mrs.), Instructor in English Literature.

Mary-Eleanor Maule, Instructor in Spanish.

Edgar de Noailles Mayhew, Instructor in Art.

Jane D. McCarrell, Instructor in Zoology, first semester.

Elizabeth U. McCracken, Lecturer in Botany.

M. Lucetta Mowry, Instructor in Biblical History.

Helen M. Mustard, Instructor in German.

Vladimir Nabokov, Lecturer in Russian.

Marie-Helene Pauly, Instructor in French.

Julia Sears Phelps (Mrs.), Instructor in Art.

Alfred Salmony, Lecturer in Art, first semester.

Miles S. Sherrill, Lecturer in Chemistry.

Victor E. Smith, Assistant Professor of Economics.

Pauline Tompkins, Instructor in Postwar Reconstruction.

Mary C. Walton (Mrs.), Director of the Page Memorial School.

Ruth W. Washburn, Lecturer in Education and Consultant at the Page Memorial School.

Ruth Whittredge, Instructor in Spanish.

Ola E. Winslow, Visiting Professor of English Literature.

Library Staff Members

Lois E. Engleman, Assistant to the Librarian.

Margreta A. Hughes, Librarian of the Art Library.

Nancy S. MacMullen, (Mrs.), Cataloguer.

F. Angelika Rudenberg, Cataloguer.

Joan F. Bishop (Mrs.), Director of the Placement Office.

'45 Elects M. C. Ewing, Serge Koussevitsky As Its Honorary Members

Each of the three upper classes held meetings on Saturday, August 26, to handle the initial business of the year and to distribute schedule cards for the coming terms.

Dean Wilson spoke to the class of '45. She reviewed statistics of enrollment in all the classes, and stated that the class of '45 had dropped from 401 freshmen year to 292 at present. It was announced that the two honorary members will be Dean Mary C. Ewing and Serge Koussevitzsky, conductor of the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

With Elizabeth Slaughter, class president, presiding, the seniors decided that due to war shortages the formal collar worn with cap and gown would be abandoned. The photographs for Legenda will be taken by Sargent.

Class officers were introduced to the class of '46 by Judy Atterbury, and Dean Marjorie Ilsley spoke, emphasizing the advantages held by juniors now that they are working more fully in their field of choice. She introduced the '46 transfers to the class, telling the names of the colleges they had previously attended.

Hope Wilson, president of '47, introduced class officers, and Dean Elizabeth Jones spoke formally for the first time to the class as a group. Dean Jones gave the statistics of class enrollment, and suggested that Sophomores choose their majors early in the year, visiting extra lectures when possible.

OUTING CLUB NEWS

The Outing Club Board enjoyed a pancake breakfast at the O. C. fireplace Sunday, August 27. Persis Owen '47 and Phyllis Roberson '46 were in charge. Plans for the Freshman Barn Dance were made more definite and a tentative schedule arranged for the next few weeks.

. . . . . O. C. Schedule . . . . . .

September 2, Saturday—Canoe trip on the Charles. Open to the college.

September 3, Sunday—Outing Club cabin trip.

September 9-10— Saturday and Sunday—Overnight cabin trip. Open to college.

Calendar

Thursday, August 31: *8:15 a.m., Chapel. Leader: Julie A. Burnet, '45. 4:00 p.m., Academic Council.

Friday, September 1: *8:15 a.m., Chapel. Leader: Miss Onderdonk. 8:00 p.m., Mary Hemenway Hall. Outing Club Barn Dance for Freshmen.

Saturday, September 2: *8:15 a.m., Chapel. Leader: Miss Wilson.

Sunday, September 3: *11:00 a.m., Memorial Chapel. Preacher, Dr. John C. Shroeder, The Divinity School, Yale University.

Monday, September 4: *8:15 a.m., Chapel. Leader: Miss Wilson. 4:40 p.m., General Sports Meeting. Freshmen and Sophomores.

Tuesday, September 5: *8:15 a.m., Chapel. Leader: Miss Stark.

Wednesday, September 6: *8:15 a.m., Chapel. Leader: Mrs. Kerby-Miller.

Thursday, September 7: *8:15 a.m., Chapel. Leader: Caroline Hadley, '45. 4:00 p.m., Society Open Teas: Agora, AKX, ZA.

* Open to the public.

Captain McAfee Leaves For Washington Tonight

Captain Mildred H. McAfee leaves for Washington tonight after welcoming both old and new members of the college community and officially opening Wellesley for the year 1944-45. The President will return in mid-September for about ten days.

During her stay in the President's House where she is living with her mother, Miss McAfee held open house for the parents of Freshmen on Wednesday afternoon. At Thursday morning chapel she greeted the class of 1948 and all the transfer students, and that night she was hostess at a tea for the transfers in Tower Court. She led the Chapel [illegible] Saturday and Monday, Wednesday night she held a reception for the trustees, members of the faculty and administration and their wives and husbands.

College Notes

College Notes Married

Kay Sears '46, to A/C Robert Hamilton, AAF, Yale ex-'44.

Elaine White, ex'45, to Captain Philip Charles Beals, U.S.M.C.R.

Regine Weiss '47, to Lt. William Ransahoff.

● And then there is the Freshman who had the Junior in an awful quandary about where to find room 101-B for English Composition.

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